

2012 Program Schedule July 8th – 14th



Programs are free unless noted otherwise. All programs require reservations BY THE DEADLINE LISTED. Programs with no reservations by the deadline are canceled.

All programs begin at the Visitor Center unless another site is listed.

Children must be accompanied by an adult (one adult for each three children).

The age limits are definite – please do not sign up a child who is too young or too old for the program.

Call (931) 648-5526 for reservations.

***We reserve the right to cancel some programs in case of extreme heat or inclement weather.**

Sunday, July 8 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. WALNUT FRIENDS Ages 5 - 12

Walnuts – good to eat, important to the forest. Make a fun walnut figure as you learn about this nut.

RESERVATIONS BY 4:30 July 6. Program Leader: Dave Webb, Seasonal Interpretive Ranger

8:15 – 9:15 p.m. NIGHT ANIMALS Ages 5 - adult

Walk with us as we explore the woods, cave entrance and lakeshore for nocturnal critters such as owls, deer, frog, bats, raccoons, salamanders and night insects.

RESERVATIONS BY 4:30 July 6. Program Leader: Adam Neblett, Park Ranger

Monday, July 9 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. THE HUMAN SUNDIAL Ages 6 - 14

How can you tell time without a watch? Learn how to tell time by using your shadow, then make a sundial to take home with you.

RESERVATIONS BY 4:30 July 7. Program Leader: Dave Webb, Seasonal Interpretive Ranger

Wednesday, July 11 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. SPIDERS Ages 5-11

Eight-legged creepy crawlies? Or neat animals? Learn about spiders through books and a spider hunt.

RESERVATIONS BY 4:30 July 9. Program Leader: Amy Wallace, Interpretive Specialist

3:30 – 4:00 p.m. SNAKE STORIES Ages 5-10

Join us as we read books about a boy who was afraid of snakes – and a snake who was afraid of people! Meet at the cave entrance.

RESERVATIONS BY 4:30 p.m. July 9. Program Leader: Amy Wallace, Interpretive Specialist

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. EVENING TRAIL HIKE All ages

This time of day is great for seeing wildlife such as deer and bats. Come walk with the Ranger.

RESERVATIONS BY 4:30 July 9.

Program Leader: Adam Neblett, Park Ranger

Thursday, July 12 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. TREES ARE TERRIFIC Ages 6-adult

Walk the lake trail with a ranger and learn about some of the common trees you can find in the park and maybe even your back yard.

RESERVATIONS BY 4:30 July 10.

Program Leader: Adam Neblett, Park Ranger

8:10 – 9:20 p.m.

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Friday, July 13 9:00 -10:00 a.m. HISTORY OF DUNBAR Ages 7-adult

Did you know that Dunbar Cave was once a popular summer resort? People came from all over to tour the cave, swim in the first concrete pool in town, take a boat ride in the lake, dine at the Idaho Springs Hotel, and then dance the night away to big band music at the cool cave entrance. Take a tour of the park and learn about why people have such fond memories of the Dunbar Cave of times past.

RESERVATIONS BY 4:30 July 11.

Program Leader: Adam Neblett, Park Ranger

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

NATURE DETECTIVES

Ages 5 – 12

Tracks and scat, feathers and fur. Learn about the clues and signs that animals leave behind.

RESERVATIONS BY 4:30 July 11.

Program Leader: Amy Wallace, Interpretive Specialist

6:00 - 6:45 p.m.

DON'T BE A BULLY – PLANT NATIVE

Ages 6 – 14

Some plants will take over the woods and natural areas – learn what plants you shouldn't have in a garden.

RESERVATIONS BY 4:30 July 11.

Program Leader: Dave Webb, Seasonal Interpretive Ranger

Saturday, July 14 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. BATS

Ages 8 - adult

Stay indoors, stay cool and learn about *The Secret World of Bats*.

RESERVATIONS BY 4:30 July 12.

Program Leader: Dave Webb, Seasonal Interpretive Range

7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

BATS ARE FUN

Ages 5 - 8

We will learn about bats through videos and books, then walk along the lake and see if we can spot some bats flying through the night sky.

RESERVATIONS BY 4:30 July 12.

Program Leader: Amy Wallace, Interpretive Specialist

